Thank you for booking your upcoming stay at The Barn at Nguurruu. To assist in planning your visit, and to make your stay more enjoyable, here are a few suggestions and some additional information for you to consider.

Breakfast

You will find breakfast essentials with our compliments. The organic sourdough bread is baked fresh daily from Tin Shed Bread in nearby Gundaroo. The eggs are organic and collected fresh daily from our rare breed Silver Grey Dorking hens. Milk, butter, and preserves are in the fridge. Filtered still and sparkling rainwater is in the fridge.

Other meals

The kitchen is equipped with a two-burner hotplate, convection microwave and a Weber BBQ right outside.

There are no restaurant, pub or cafe options open nearby on a Monday or Tuesday evening. Your options are to either self-cater, venture further afield, or we can supply simple, delicious meal ingredients for you (with notice). Our options include: Pasta Pack, Risotto Pack, BBQ Pack or a Sundowner Snack Pack. We also have a selection of local wines that you can purchase from us. Please see more detail on our Pantry and Cellar lists at the end of this note.

Places to eat nearby

Grazing Restaurant: Located in the historic Royal Hotel, Grazing is a multi-award-winning restaurant with a focus on the best local produce and wine. Bookings essential. Lunch Thurs - Sun and most public holidays. Dinner - Thurs - Sat. T 02 6236 8777

Gundaroo Colonial Inn: A heritage hotel that has been in continuous operation since 1872. Serves good pub food and cold beer. Wed-Sun 5.30pm-8pm; Sat noon-10pm; Sun noon-9pm. T 02 6236 8155

Cork Street Cafe: Great pizza - dine in or take away. Thurs -Sun: breakfast 9am - lunch from 11am & dinner from 5pm. T 02 6236 8217

General Store: Gundaroo's one-stop shop for groceries, beer, wine & spirits, newspapers, post office and takeaway. Mon - Fri - 8am to 7pm; Sat - 9am to 4pm; Sun - 10am to 2pm.

Places to eat a little further afield

Some Cafe: great little cafe in historic Collector, serving breakfast and

lunch. Thurs - Monday: 9am - 3pm.

Poachers Pantry: award-winning smokehouse cured meats. Lovely restaurant and surrounds. Open 7 days 9.30am – 5pm. T 02 6230 2487

Four Winds Vineyard: Great wood-fired pizza. Murrumbateman. Mon - Thurs 11am - 4pm; Fri 11am - 8pm; Sat, Sun and public holidays 11am - 5pm. 02 6227 0189

Lark Hill Winery: Open for Lunch from 12pm Thursday to Monday and Dinner from 5pm on the last Friday and Saturday of the month. T 0484 235 714

Things to do

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Regenerative agriculture tour: As you might have guessed by now, we are passionate about regenerating our landscape. If you'd like to learn more about what we are doing in terms of biodynamic farming principles, native pasture management, biodiversity or rotational grazing of our animals, we'd be happy to give you a tour.

Sunset drinks by the river: If the weather is right and the wind is not blowing, there is a great spot overlooking the Yass River for a late afternoon drink and photo opportunity.

Walks: You are welcome to take a walk anywhere across the farm. Tread quietly and you will see our resident Eastern Grey Kangaroos, Red Necked Wallabies, Shingleback Lizards, Echidnas, Water Dragons, Yellow-Tailed Black Cockatoos, Wedgetail Eagles, Galahs and Eastern Rosellas.

Fire pit: The fire pit is stocked and ready to use should you wish. Let us know if you need more wood. Marshmallows are in the cupboard – enjoy!

Pool: The swimming pool is available for your use. You must supervise children. Please don't take glass into the swimming pool area.

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Over the course of two hours, you will:

- receive a welcome to country
- participate in a smoking ceremony / ochre blessing
- learn some Ngunnawal and Wiradjuri phrases
- learn about local bush foods and medicine
- see traditional fire stick making
- see traditional string making
- Try your hand at throwing a spear from a woomera
- Listen to local creation stories
- Hear Girrawah play the didgeridoo and join in with tapping sticks

\$750 per group

The experience is subject to Girrawah's availability and may not be available at the time of your visit. To book, please contact Michelle Prior with your preferred dates and times. We will check availability and confirm your booking. Payment is made directly to Girrawah (Paul House) - we at Nguurruu do not gain financially from this experience.

More about Paul "Girrawah" House

Girrawah is a knowledge holder and custodian of sites, stories and country for his multiple local Aboriginal ancestries from the Canberra Region. His mother, Dr Aunty Matilda House, has a long-established connection to Canberra and is recognised across the region for her leadership and representation on Indigenous issues. Paul's career in both NSW and Commonwealth public sector agencies have centred on engagement with Indigenous peoples across policy, welfare reform and professional development. Paul plays the Didgeridoo (Yidaki), and has performed for current and former Australian Prime Ministers including Paul Keating, John Howard, Kevin Rudd, Julia Gillard and Tony Abbott at the National 'Welcome to Country' for the 42nd, 43rd & 44th opening Federal Parliament Australia and National Apology.

Vineyards and cellar list

The Canberra wine region is one of Australia's fastest growing premium wine districts. Home to more than 140 vineyards and 30 cellar doors, it stretches from Murrumbateman in the west, Canberra in the south, Bungendore in the east and Collector to the north. The region is most famous for Riesling and Shiraz with some exciting Chardonnay and Pinot Noir too. Please ask us for our recommendations.

Importantly, The Barn at Nguurruu is in the heart of all of it! Here we have assembled a few of our personal favourites, available for your purchase.

Eden Road 'Pet Nat' Sparking Rose	\$38
Lark Hill Biodynamic Riesling	\$38
Mada Wines Pinot Gris	\$35
Collector Wines Tiger Chardonnay Tumbarumba	\$40
Clonakilla O'Riada Shiraz	\$50
Collector Wines Marked Tree Red Shiraz	\$40
Lark Hill Biodynamic Pinot Noir	\$65

Pantry list

Didn't bring any groceries? Arriving late? Don't feel like heading back into Gundaroo? We have put together a few simple options for you to cook and enjoy.

Pasta pack: Includes organic tomato sauce, dried pasta and a small block of parmigiana reggiano (serves 2) \$35

Risotto pack: Includes arborio rice, chicken stock (Maggie Beer), small block of parmigiana reggiano, onion, garlic and dried mushrooms (serves 2) \$45

BBQ pack: Includes a selection of sausages, steak and hamburgers. (advance notice required - \$POA)

Sundowner pack: Includes Red Rock Deli crisps, cheese (Kind Island Cheddar or King Island Triple Brie) and crackers \$28

Advance notice is required for our pantry items. To order, please call Michelle on 0407 286 114